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HOSTILE AIRCRAFT DOWNED BY SAM IN VICINITY OF TAM DAOR.

ANALYSIS OF DRV MULTICHANNEL RADIO RELAY

COMMUNICATIONS INTERCEPTA ON 17 AUG 66, BETWEEN 0904Z AND 0924Z, HAS REVEALED THE SHOOTDOWN OF A HOSTILE AIRCRAFT BY A SAM SITE LOCATED AT 21-14N 105-34E.

A SPEAKER AT THE SITE REPORTED THAT AT 0702Z THE TARGET (POSS FOUR ACFT) HAD BEEN INITIALLY REFLECTED AT AN AZIMUTH OF 335 DEGREES APPROXIMATELY NINE NMS FROM THE SITE. THE TARGET WAS SAID TO BE FLYING AT A SPEED OF 485 KTS AT AN ALTITUDE OF BETWEEN 3280 FT AND 6560 FT. TWO SAMs WERE LAUNCHED AT A SITE TO TARGET RANGE OF 8 NMS AND AN ALTITUDE OF 3280 FT. THE FIRST MISSILE EXPLODED AT A RANGE OF 13.6 MS DUE NORTH OF THE SITE AND THE SECOND SAM EXPLODED NEAR TAM DAOR (21-27N 105-35E). AT 0919Z THE SPEAKER SAID QUOTE WE ONLY KNOW THAT THE TARGET WAS DESTROYED. UNQUOTE. THE HOSTILE AIRCRAFT WAS REPORTED TO HAVE GONE DOWN ABOVE TAM DAOR. AT 0907Z AND AGAIN AT 0919Z THE SPEAKER MADE REFERENCES TO SEEING ONLY TWO QUOTE SMOKE MARKERS UNQUOTE.

COMMENTS

THE EXACT TIME OF THIS ACTIVITY CANNOT BE DETERMINED FROM SIGINT. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE REFERENCES TO SMOKE MARKERS CANNOT BE DETERMINED AT THIS TIME.

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